Post-UTME Screening:

**Friday and Saturday Lecture Free Days**

Friday 8\textsuperscript{th} and Saturday 9\textsuperscript{th} August, 2014 have been declared lecture free days.

According to Hajiya Fatima Binta Muhammad, the Director, Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR), this is to enable candidates for the 2014/2015 Post-UTME screening to be accommodated.

**Tenure of Prof. A. A. Rasheed Praised**

The former Vice Chancellor of University of Sokoto, Professor Shehu Ahmad Sa’id Galadanci, has praised the tenure of Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, as Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, saying the development witnessed during his tenure was due to his administrative acumen.

He said the running of a university system these days requires more than mere academic qualification. That’s why universities in America, Europe and other developed nations are being run by influential Vice Chancellors, who possessed sound administrative skills and influence.

Professor Galadanci, who was speaking on Tuesday 5\textsuperscript{th} August, 2014 at the opening of the 1\textsuperscript{st} International Conference on Endangered Languages in Nigeria, in honor of the late Professor M. K. M. Galadanci at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, Bayero University, New Campus, said the university has witnessed tremendous transformation during the tenure of the incumbent Vice Chancellor.

He said Professor Rasheed has combined administrative experience and influence that
was why he provides good leadership and was creative in sourcing funds for the ongoing developments taking place in the university, saying that anybody who went round the campuses of Bayero University would see the transformation.

Speaking on the theme of the conference, the former Vice Chancellor said, however, that Hausa language is not among the endangered languages, and as such the Department of Nigerian Languages should focus on the endangered. He lauded the contributions of the late Professor M. K. M. Galadanci, whose academic work and books are still being used in all the universities studying Hausa Language across the globe.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, commended the organizers of the international conference, promising that the university would continue to support such conferences.

Professor Abubakar Raheed, represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration), Professor Saddiq Isa Radda, urged the participants to make good use of the conference in coming up with issues that will promote the Hausa language and other local languages.

The Chairman, Local Organizing Committee, Professor Bello A. Salim, said Bayero University has come of age, saying from the time it was run as Abdullahi Bayero College, under Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria the university products have contributed immensely in the development of the nation.

He said that the late Professor M. K. M. Galadanci has left behind a lot of legacies, urging both students and lecturers to learn from him, as a committed and simple scholar, who treated his colleagues as students and members of his family.

Establish Centre for Translation of Hausa Language-Prof. Dandatti urges Kano Govt.

Former Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir has called on the Kano State government to establish a Center for the Translation of the Hausa Language. This he said would make Kano assume its rightful leadership position as the custodian of the Hausa language and its cultural heritage.

Professor Dandatti, who was speaking at the 1st International Conference on Endangered Languages in Nigeria in honor of the late Professor M. K. M. Galadanci, Tuesday 5th August, 2014 at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, said the center if established in Kano would be complemented by Bayero University, which also leads in Hausa Studies among Nigerian universities.

He said “we have a challenge before us. The Yoruba are doing their best to formalize their language to teach their young ones in Yoruba right from primary to tertiary institution subjects except medicine and engineering. We have a greater challenge”.

Professor Dandatti said the relevant state governments are supporting the University of Ife in its zeal to develop the Yoruba language, and this should be done by the Kano state government, with Hausa being spoken largely by the people of Nigeria more than any other local language.

He said there was a move for a long time to make Hausa the official language, saying that in 1980 he produced a paper and convened a press conference on the subject matter, seeing that even in the military
barracks Hausa is the predominant language spoken. He urged Nigerian leaders to take Hausa as the nation’s official language, because it is being widely used by people of different cultures and religions across West Africa. Professor Dandatti praised the contributions of Professor M. K. M. Galadanci whose life was spent in writing and conducting scholarly research. He specialized in philosophy and grammar.

The Chief Imam of Kano, Professor Sani Zaharaddeen, on his part said Hausa may be endangered in future if it is not given its rightful position.

CDA, ICRISAT Collaborate to find Alternative to Maize as Poultry Feed
Bayero University Centre for Dryland Agriculture will continue to promote training and extensive research, especially in dryland agriculture as part of the efforts to sustain its choice and conversion as a Centre of Excellence in Dryland Agriculture by the World Bank.

This was disclosed by the Director of the Centre, Professor Jibrin Jibrin, at the opening ceremony of a Stakeholders Workshop on the use of Sorghum in Poultry Feeds organized by the Centre in conjunction with the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT). The one-day Workshop took place at the Training Room of the Centre on Tuesday 5th August, 2014.

Professor Jibrin said the Stakeholders workshop was part of the research initiative of the centre in collaboration with ICRISAT aimed at finding a substitute to the use of maize as the ingredient for compounding poultry feeds.

He said sorghum has been found to be suitable alternative to maize and that was why the stakeholders’ workshop was held with a view to listening to senior academics who would deliver papers on the pros and cons of utilization of maize and sorghum in poultry feeds, experiences from Niger Republic and India.

The CDA Director believed that at the end of the workshop stakeholders would be better informed on the desirability of using sorghum as an alternative to maize in poultry feeds.

Also speaking, the Team Leader, Poultry Value Chain, Professor E.B. Sonaiya, stated that, as argued by members of the Poultry Association of Nigeria, one of the major challenges of poultry production in Nigeria is the high cost of poultry feed ingredients, such as maize, soya bean and groundnuts, saying that to address this constraint, Poultry Value Chain promoted the use of alternative feed ingredients, such as brewer dried grains, including sorghum, vegetable carried blood meal, rumen content blood meal and Feed Grade Cassava Grits (FGCG).

He said as part of the efforts to promote FGCG, Poultry Value Chain is currently working with the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria (ARCN) within the West African Agricultural Productivity Programme (WAAPP) to further commercialize and industrialize FGCG as a poultry feed ingredient.

Professor Sonaiya assured participants that the Poultry Value Chain would collaborate with the Sorghum Value Chain and ICRISAT to promote the use of Sorghum
grain and by-products for poultry feed production.

In a paper he delivered at the workshop, Professor Sonaiya stated that the poultry industries in the country required about three million metric tonnes of maize as ingredients of its feeds, but that the country can only produce two million tones, leaving a deficit of about one million tonnes, adding that this and other scientific considerations necessitated the search for an alternative to maize not only to make up for the deficit, but also to bring about reduction in the cost of production, since the cost of producing maize is more than that of sorghum.

Guidelines for workshops, Seminars and Conferences for Non-Teaching Staff

A statement signed by Hajiya Halima Hayat, the Deputy Registrar, Human Resource on behalf of the Director, Establishment Matters has given the guidelines for non-teaching staff participation in workshops, seminars and conferences as follows:

i. The candidate should be recommended by his or her head of department to attend the Workshop/Conference.

ii. For professional Workshop/Conference being a member of the organization would be an advantage.

iii. The training Workshop/Conference should be in line with the candidate schedule of duty.

iv. The candidate would only be sponsored for Workshop/Conference every other year.

v. Staff on Study Fellowship are not entitled for Sponsorship to any Workshop/Conference.

vi. Not more than two (2) staff members from the same department may be sponsored to attend a Workshop/Conference within a month.

vii. A candidate sponsored for a Workshop or Conference should submit a report within two (2) weeks of his return.

viii. Failure to submit the report of the Workshop/Conference attended would lead to one being sanctioned.

ix. A candidate could be allowed to attend a Workshop/Conference on Self-Sponsorship.

Revised 2013/2014 Postgraduate Registration Period

The following arrangement for the registration of both Fresh and Returning Students in the 2013/2014 session has been approved. All HoDs and Postgraduate Coordinators are to disseminate the information and ensure compliance.

Fresh Students

- 7th to 20th July – Collection of admission letters and screening.
- 30th July to 24th August, 2014 – Registration
- 25th to 31st August, 2014 – Late Registration.

Returning students

- 4th and 5th August, 2014 – SPS Board to consider Exam results for Academic programmes and raw Marks in respect of Professional programmes.
- 11th to 24th August, 2014 – Registration
- 25th to 31st August, 2014 – Late Registration
Vice Chancellor Congratulates Auwalu Abdullahi
The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, on behalf of the management has congratulated Auwalu Muhammad Abdullahi of the Department of Mechatronics Engineering for the Pro-Chancellor’s award and Best Postgraduate Student Award Certificates, as well as the successful completion of his Masters Degree programme in Mechatronics Technology and Automatic Control from the Universiti of Teknologi Malaysia.

Dr. Mamman Lawan Reappointed HoD Islamic Law
Dr. Mamman Lawan has been reappointed as the Head of Department of Islamic Law for another two years with effect from 7th August, 2014.

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed mni, MFR, dated 1st August, 2014, advised the HoD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”

Dr. Sanusi Gaya, Dr. Kabir Umar Appointed Deputy Directors CDA
Dr. Sanusi Gaya Mohammed has been appointed as the Deputy Director (Training and Outreach), Centre for Dryland Agriculture for two years with effect from 1st July, 2014.

Similarly, Dr. Kabir Mustapha Umar has been appointed as the Deputy Director (Research and Publications), Centre for Dryland Agriculture for two years with effect from 1st July, 2014, according to a letter signed by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin MNIM, dated 6th August, 2014.

Security Alert: UNATTENDED LUGGAGE TO BE DESTROYED
Following the general state of insecurity in the country and the world at large, it has become necessary to remind members of the University community on the need to be extra vigilant and cooperate with the University Security personnel, especially in the implementation of some of the measures adopted to check the state of insecurity.

The Director of Security, Col. A. A. Mohammed (rtd), said in a statement: Members of the University are please requested to bear with us, as the present arrangement is trying to guard against any unwarranted happening. Only staff who may wish to use the ‘C’ Gate along Gwarzo Road, popularly known as “Tsamiya” Gate, can do so to come in and go out of the Campus during peak hours Monday – Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm only.

“However, staff not known must produce their Identity Cards on demand by the Security. This should not be considered as embarrassing or cause any problem. Staff/Students are please advised not to leave any luggage unattended. If discovered, such luggage will be destroyed. The Security Division implore on members of the Community to observe simple security tips, such as being extra vigilant and reporting any strange happening or objects promptly through any of our telephone numbers earlier circulated and now reproduced below for the avoidance of doubt. The lines are on 24 hours alert. The numbers are:

**Director** - 07044238158 (8pm-8am)
**Duty Officer** – 07045318709
a. New Campus
On the part of the University Security Unit, we have strengthened our security arrangement and request members of the University Community to effectively contribute positively in the aspect of Community policing. Also, as individuals we must understand that we owe ourselves some degree of personal responsibilities for our safety and Security. The effectiveness of the Security Unit depends on the cooperation received from the members of the community. Therefore, provide us useful and timely information to serve you better and pray fervently.”

Notice from Federal Ministry of Education for the Purchase of Hewlett Packard (Hp) Laptop Computers

The Federal Ministry of Education in collaboration with Messrs PACH LIMITED is hereby bringing to your notice the availability of Laptop Computers for sale to staff of the Ministry and its Agencies/Parastatals.

The Laptops are HP brand, equipped with features such as 15.4 inches Screen, Dual Core 2.0GHZ processor, 3GB RAM, 320GB Hard Disk, Wi-fi, Bluetooth, Webcam and the latest Windows 8 Operating System. The cost of each Laptop is One Hundred and Twenty Thousand Naira (₦120,000.00) only to be paid instalmentally over a period of 18 calendar months.

It is expected that this arrangement will afford staff the opportunity to own computers, improve service delivery and also keep in tune with the current Federal Government Policy on e-learning for the conduct of government business.

Members of staff who are interested in procuring the laptops are requested to collect the form from the office of the Director, General Administration, Bayero University.

SEMINARS

The following faculties/departments/centres invite the University Community to their seminars, scheduled as follows:

Centre for Dryland Agriculture: Lecture

Presenter: Professor Jimmy Adegoke
Director, Centre for Applied Environmental Research, University of Missouri, Kansas City, USA

Title: ‘The National Agricultural Resilience Framework: Strategies and Opportunities for Advancing Dryland Agriculture in a Changing Climate’

Chairman: Prof. E. A. Olofin
Department of Sociology: M. Sc. Proposal Defense

**Student 1:** Sani Rabi’u (SPS/11/MSO/000030)
**Topic:** ‘A Study on Fertility Differentials among Women in Gombe Local Government Area, Gombe State.’
**Supervisor:** Prof. Isma’il M. Zango

**Student 2:** Maryam Lawal Omar (SPS/11/MSO/000032)
**Topic:** ‘Health Care seeking behavior of Mothers for Common Childhood Illnesses in Northern Nigeria: A study of Gezawa Local Government Area, Kano State.’
**Supervisor:** Dr. Haruna M. Awaisu

**Chairman:** Prof. B. A. Haruna

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Department of Physics: Seminar Presentations

**Presenter 1:** Olabimtan Samuel Olugbenga (SPS/10/MPY/000017)
**Topic:** ‘Determination of Activity Concentration of $^{40}$K, $^{232}$Th and $^{238}$U in some selected fruit samples consumed in Kano Metropolis using Neutron activation Analysis.’

**Presenter 2:** Emanuel Ekanem (SPS/10/MPY/000001)
**Topic:** ‘Determination of Radionuclide Concentrations in soil around mining areas in Bitsichi Jos.’

**Chairman:** Dr. Y. Y. Ibrahim

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Faculty of Social and Management Sciences: Seminar Series

**Presenter 1:** Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu
**Title:** ‘Invisible Visibilities: Gender, the Muslim Public Sphere and Creative Media Culture.’

**Presenter 2:** Dr. Bala Saleh Dawaki Tofa
**Title:** ‘A Talk on Religious Tolerance in Tofa town, Tofa Local Government, Kano State.’

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Department of Mathematical Sciences: Seminar

**Presenter 1:** Malam Surajo Mahmud Umar
**Title:** ‘A New Family of Generalized Multivariate Semi-Pareto (III) Distributions and its Characterization Property.’

**Presenter 2:** Dr. Ma’aruf Minjibir
**Title:** ‘Fixed Point Theory of Multi-valued Mappings: some approximation Results I.’

**Chairman:** Malam Ibrahim Yusuf

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Department of Agricultural Engineering:

Seminar Presentation

Presenter 1: Engr. N. J. Shanono

Presenter 2: Engr. N. M. Nasidi
Topic B: ‘Assessment of Erodibility Potential for Cultivated Soil at Bayero University Farm.’

Presenter 3: Engr. M. L. Attanda
Topic: ‘An Investigation into Availability and Performance Status of Combine Harvesters in Kano State.’

Presenter 4: Engr. S. K. Shittu
Topic: ‘Determination of Soil Hydraulic Conductivity Using Falling Head Permeameter in Agricultural Engineering Farm, Bayero University, Kano.’

Presenter 5: Engr. M. M. Bello
Topic: ‘The Role of Micro-organisms in Waste Water Treatment.’

Date: Thursday, 7th August, 2014
Time: 10:00am
Venue: Level 500 Students Class (Agric Engineering Department)

Wedding Fatiha

Alhaji Haruna Muhammad Shanono, the Principal, Staff Model Primary School and Alhaji Muhammad Suleiman cordially invite members of the University Community to the wedding of their son, Engineer Ibrahim Haruna Shanono, of Department of Electrical Engineering and daughter, Engineer A’isha Muhammad, of Department of Mechatronics Engineering scheduled as follows:

Date: Saturday, 16th August, 2014
Time: 11:00am
Venue: No. 120 Layin Malam Ibrahim Khalil R/Zaki, Gwarzo Road, Kano.

Prof. Maikudi Loses Mother

The death of Hajiya Maryam Adamu, the mother of Professor Maikudi Karaye of Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages and Folklore (CRNL&F) Bayero University, Kano occurred on Tuesday 6th August, 2014. Aged 90 years old, she has since been buried according to Islamic rites. May her soul rest in perfect peace, amin.

Appreciation

Mustapha Zaharadeen, Deputy Registrar, Information and Public Relations expresses his sincere appreciation to members of the University community for attending the wedding fatiha of his daughter, Juwairiyya Mustapha Zaharadeen (Ummi) and her groom Imran Ahmad on Sunday, 3rd August, 2014. Special appreciation goes to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. A. A. Rasheed, mni, MFR, represented by the DVC Administration, Prof. Saddiq I. Radda and other management staff of the University.

“Walk for life”

The Department of Physical and Health Education wishes to remind Staff and Students of this month’s “Walk for Life Programme” as follows:

Topic: “Walk for Life”
Date: 9th August, 2014
Time: 7:00 am
Venue: Take off Point (New Site Stadium)

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